

What is claimed is:

1. A coordinate input apparatus for inputting coordinate information of a plurality of input faces by specifying coordinate positions, comprising:

time measuring means for measuring a time from an end of a first input on a first input face to a start of a second input on a second input face, wherein said first and second input faces are spaced apart and physically separated from one another;

judging means for judging whether or not the time measured by the time measuring means is within a predetermined time;

means for determining whether or not to recognize the first and second inputs as one continuous input based at least in part upon whether the time is judged to be within the predetermined time by the judging means; and

wherein coordinates at a lower right hand corner of the first input face are set as an end of a selected range for a first screen and coordinates at an upper left hand corner of the second input face are set as an origin of a selected range for a second screen.

2. A coordinate input apparatus for inputting coordinate information of a plurality of input faces by specifying coordinate positions, comprising:

judging means for judging whether or not a position where a first input has been ended on a first input face is within a predetermined region;

means for determining whether or not to recognize the first input and a second input following the first input, on a second input face, as one continuous input based at least upon whether the position where the first input has been ended is determined to be within the predetermined region by the judging means, and wherein said first and second input faces are spaced apart and physically separated from one another; and

wherein coordinates at a lower right hand corner of the first input face are set as an end of a selected range for a first screen and coordinates at an upper left hand corner of the second input face are set as an origin of a selected range for a second screen.

3. A coordinate input method for inputting coordinate information of a plurality of input faces by specifying coordinate positions comprises the steps of:

measuring a time from an end of a first input on a first input face to a start of a second input on a second input face, and wherein said first and second input faces are spaced apart and physically separated from one another;

judging whether or not the time measured at the time measuring step is within a predetermined time;

determining whether or not to recognize the first and second inputs as one continuous input based at least upon whether the time is judged to be within the predetermined time at the judging step; and

wherein coordinates at a lower right hand corner of the first input face are set as an end of a selected range for a first screen and coordinates at an upper left hand corner of the second input face are set as an origin of a selected range for a second screen.

4. A coordinate input method for inputting coordinate information of a plurality of input faces by specifying coordinate positions comprises the steps of:

judging whether or not a position where a first input has been ended on a first input face is within a predetermined region; and

determining whether or not to recognize the first input and a second input following the first input, on a second input face, as one continuous input based at least in part upon whether the position where the first input has been ended is determined to be within the predetermined region at the judging step, and wherein said first and second input faces are spaced apart and physically separated from one another, wherein coordinates at a lower right hand corner of the first input face are set as an end of a selected range for a first screen and coordinates at an upper left hand corner of the second input face are set as an origin of a selected range for a second screen.

5. A computer-readable recording medium comprising a coordinate input control program recorded therein for causing a computer in which coordinate information of a plurality of spaced apart input faces can be input by specifying coordinate positions, to execute:

a time measuring procedure of measuring a time from an end of a first input on a first input face to a start of a second input on a second input face that is spaced apart from the first input face;

a judging procedure of judging whether or not the time measured in the time measuring procedure is within a predetermined time;

an input controlling procedure of determining whether or not to recognize the first and second inputs as one continuous input based at least in part upon whether the time is judged to be within the predetermined time in the judging procedure; and

wherein coordinates at a lower right hand corner of the first input face are set as an end of a selected range for a first screen and coordinates at an upper left hand corner of the second input face are set as an origin of a selected range for a second screen.

6. A computer-readable recording medium comprising a coordinate input control program recorded therein for causing a computer in which coordinate information of a plurality of input faces can be input by specifying coordinate positions, to execute:

a judging procedure of judging whether or not a position where a first input has been ended on a first input face is within a predetermined region; and

an input controlling procedure of determining whether or not to recognize the first input and a second input following the first input, on a second input face, as one continuous input based at least upon whether the position where the first input has been ended is determined to be within the predetermined region in the judging procedure, and wherein said first and second input faces are spaced apart and physically separated from one another and wherein coordinates at a lower right hand corner of the first input face are set as an end of a selected range for a first screen and coordinates at an upper left hand corner of the second input face are set as an origin of a selected range for a second screen.

7. A coordinate input method for inputting coordinate information of a plurality of input areas by specifying coordinate positions comprises the steps of:

providing first and second distinct coordinate input areas in which coordinates may be input via a pointer, wherein the first input area comprises a first coordinate system and the second input area comprises a second and different coordinate system;

measuring a time from an end of a first input in the first input area to a start of a second input in the second input area;